

**Office for Victims of Crime**  
**Victim Compensation Formula Grant Program**  
**Annual Performance Measures Report**  
**October 01, 2021 - September 30, 2022**

**GRANTEE INFORMATION**

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**POPULATION DEMOGRAPHICS**

1. Number of people for whom an application was made for victim compensation benefits during the reporting period.

Q1: Oct-Dec 2021:   
 Q2: Jan-Mar 2022:   
 Q3: Apr-Jun 2022:   
 Q4: Jul-Sep 2022:   
 Annual:

2. Number of victims whose victimization is the basis for the application.

Q1: Oct-Dec 2021:   
 Q2: Jan-Mar 2022:   
 Q3: Apr-Jun 2022:   
 Q4: Jul-Sep 2022:   
 Annual:

3. Victim Demographics

Population	Number of Victims				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual
<b>A. RACE/ETHNICITY</b>					
American Indian or Alaska Native	3	1	2	1	7
Asian	0	1	1	1	3
Black or African American	10	17	18	11	56
Hispanic or Latino	2	2	2	3	9
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	0
White Non-Latino or Caucasian	72	76	90	57	295
Some Other Race	0	0	0	0	0
Multiple Races	1	5	5	3	14
Not Reported	20	33	57	55	165
Not Tracked	0	0	0	0	0
Race/Ethnicity Total	108	135	175	131	549
<b>B. GENDER</b>					
Male	38	65	80	53	236
Female	70	65	91	75	301
Not Reported	0	5	4	3	12
Not Tracked	0	0	0	0	0
Gender Total	108	135	175	131	549
<b>C. AGE</b>					
Age 0- 12	11	25	35	24	95
Age 13- 17	12	10	12	10	44
Age 18- 24	11	10	12	16	49
Age 25- 59	64	69	91	65	289
Age 60 and Older	4	17	15	11	47
Not Reported	6	4	10	5	25
Not Tracked	0	0	0	0	0
Age Total	108	135	175	131	549

## PERFORMANCE MEASURES

4. Based on your program's general procedure, indicate if

Q1: Oct-Dec 2021:

Victims and indirect victims generally count as separate applications

Q2: Jan-Mar 2022:

Victims and indirect victims generally count as separate applications

Q3: Apr-Jun 2022:

Victims and indirect victims generally count as separate applications

Q4: Jul-Sep 2022:

Victims and indirect victims generally count as separate applications

5. Number of new applications **received** during the reporting period

Q1: Oct-Dec 2021:

Q2: Jan-Mar 2022:

Q3: Apr-Jun 2022:

Q4: Jul-Sep 2022:

Annual:

6. Number of applications **approved** during the reporting period.

Q1: Oct-Dec 2021:

Q2: Jan-Mar 2022:

Q3: Apr-Jun 2022:

Q4: Jul-Sep 2022:

Annual:

7. Number of applications **denied/closed**. (i.e., applications that were not approved) during the reporting period.

Q1: Oct-Dec 2021:

Q2: Jan-Mar 2022:

Q3: Apr-Jun 2022:

Q4: Jul-Sep 2022:

Annual:

Reason(s) for denial or close status applicable for the reporting period:

Population	Number of Victims				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual
A. Application not filed within time limit	4	7	9	7	27
B. Failure to report to police	0	0	0	0	0
C. Failure to cooperate with law enforcement, victim/witness coordinator, and/or other official required by program	2	6	11	4	23
D. Incomplete information	0	0	1	0	1
E. Contributory misconduct	6	7	3	7	23
F. Ineligible crime	2	3	1	8	14
G. Ineligible application	30	31	81	76	218
Other	-	0	-	0	0

Denial explanation:

8. Number of applications received for Sexual Assault Forensic Examinations during the reporting period

Q1: Oct-Dec 2021: Not applicable to my state's process

Q2: Jan-Mar 2022: Not applicable to my state's process

Q3: Apr-Jun 2022: Not applicable to my state's process

Q4: Jul-Sep 2022: Not applicable to my state's process

Annual:

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PAYMENT STATISTICS BY CRIME TYPE														Qtr:1				
TYPES OF CRIME	EXPENSE TYPES PAID (in dollars)												TYPES OF VICTIMIZATIONS RELATED TO A CRIME TYPE					
	Total Number of Applications Paid During the Reporting Period	Crime Scene Clean Up	Dependent Care	Economic Support	Funeral Burial	Medical/Dental (except mental health)	Mental Health	Relocation	Replacement Services	Sexual Assault Forensic Exams	Travel	Other (please explain)	Total Paid for this Crime Type	Number of Applications Related to Bullying that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Domestic and Family Violence that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Elder Abuse/Neglect that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Hate Crimes that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Mass Violence that were Paid During the Reporting Period
Arson																		
Assault	49	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 31,336	\$ 0	\$ 41,308	\$ 4,137	\$ 6,974	\$ 0		\$ 204	\$ 0	\$ 83,959	0	5	0	0	0
Burglary																		
Child Physical Abuse/Neglect	3	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 829	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 425	\$ 0	\$ 1,254	0	0		0	0
Child Pornography	4	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,691	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,691	0	0		0	0
Child Sexual Abuse	12	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,385	\$ 1,532	\$ 2,500	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 382	\$ 0	\$ 5,798	0	0		0	0
DUI/DWI	4	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 55,670	\$ 0	\$ 17,185	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 72,855	0	0	0	0	0
Fraud/Financial Crimes																		
Homicide	15	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 49,690	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 49,690	0	2	0	0	0
Human Trafficking																		
Kidnapping																		
Other Vehicular Crimes	4	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 8,967	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 8,967	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery																		
Sexual Assault	6	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,527	\$ 0	\$ 272	\$ 0	\$ 210	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,000	\$ 0	\$ 3,008	0	2	0	0	0
Stalking																		
Terrorism	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 136		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 136	0	1	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 88,533</b>	<b>\$ 58,657</b>	<b>\$ 61,840</b>	<b>\$ 6,497</b>	<b>\$ 9,684</b>	<b>\$ 136</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 2,010</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 227,358</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

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PAYMENT STATISTICS BY CRIME TYPE Qtr:2																		
TYPES OF CRIME	EXPENSE TYPES PAID (in dollars)												TYPES OF VICTIMIZATIONS RELATED TO A CRIME TYPE					
	Total Number of Applications Paid During the Reporting Period	Crime Scene Clean Up	Dependent Care	Economic Support	Funeral Burial	Medical/Dental (except mental health)	Mental Health	Relocation	Replacement Services	Sexual Assault Forensic Exams	Travel	Other (please explain)	Total Paid for this Crime Type	Number of Applications Related to Bullying that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Domestic and Family Violence that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Elder Abuse/Neglect that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Hate Crimes that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Mass Violence that were Paid During the Reporting Period
Arson																		
Assault	65	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 85,210	\$ 0	\$ 56,630	\$ 1,586	\$ 3,990	\$ 0		\$ 1,835	\$ 0	\$ 149,251	0	9	0	0	0
Burglary																		
Child Physical Abuse/Neglect	10	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 4,128	\$ 500	\$ 3,313	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 239	\$ 0	\$ 8,179	0	2		0	0
Child Pornography	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 682	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 939	\$ 0	\$ 1,621	0	0		0	0
Child Sexual Abuse	17	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,816	\$ 3,340	\$ 2,412	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 793	\$ 0	\$ 9,561	0	1		0	0
DUI/DWI	5	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 11,009	\$ 0	\$ 7,746	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 6,999	\$ 25,753	0	0	0	0	0
Fraud/Financial Crimes																		
Homicide	16	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 33,793	\$ 70,269	\$ 10,617	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 114,678	0	1	0	0	0
Human Trafficking																		
Kidnapping																		
Other Vehicular Crimes	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 6,982	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 6,982	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 197	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 197	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	12	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,725	\$ 0	\$ 7,070	\$ 80	\$ 2,500	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 148	\$ 2,820	\$ 14,343	0	1	0	0	0
Stalking																		
Terrorism																		
<b>Total</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 131,934</b>	<b>\$ 82,579</b>	<b>\$ 84,378</b>	<b>\$ 9,001</b>	<b>\$ 8,903</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 3,954</b>	<b>\$ 9,819</b>	<b>\$ 330,567</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>* Other expense explanations</b>																		
DUI/DWI	renovation for handicap ramp due to crime injury																	
Sexual Assault	tutoring																	

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PAYMENT STATISTICS BY CRIME TYPE Qtr:3

TYPES OF CRIME	EXPENSE TYPES PAID (in dollars)												TYPES OF VICTIMIZATIONS RELATED TO A CRIME TYPE					
	Total Number of Applications Paid During the Reporting Period	Crime Scene Clean Up	Dependent Care	Economic Support	Funeral Burial	Medical/Dental (except mental health)	Mental Health	Relocation	Replacement Services	Sexual Assault Forensic Exams	Travel	Other (please explain)	Total Paid for this Crime Type	Number of Applications Related to Bullying that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Domestic and Family Violence that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Elder Abuse/Neglect that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Hate Crimes that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Mass Violence that were Paid During the Reporting Period
Arson																		
Assault	74	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 23,507	\$ 0	\$ 112,785	\$ 1,868	\$ 5,640	\$ 0		\$ 3,018	\$ 482	\$ 147,299	0	17	0	2	0
Burglary	2	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 130	\$ 176	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 307	0	0	0	0	0
Child Physical Abuse/Neglect	11	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 4,128	\$ 500	\$ 2,108	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 1,063	\$ 0	\$ 7,799	0	0		0	0
Child Pornography																		
Child Sexual Abuse	21	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,200	\$ 4,215	\$ 3,372	\$ 1,848	\$ 0	\$ 670	\$ 0		\$ 11,306	0	1		0	0
DUI/DWI	13	\$ 11,435	\$ 0	\$ 25,237	\$ 0	\$ 7,566	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 653		\$ 44,891	0	0	0	0	0
Fraud/Financial Crimes																		
Homicide	49	\$ 0	\$ 865	\$ 0	\$ 205,332	\$ 1,117	\$ 915	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 1,000		\$ 209,229	0	5	0	0	0
Human Trafficking																		
Kidnapping																		
Other Vehicular Crimes	6	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 15,413	\$ 7,096	\$ 122,491	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0		\$ 145,000	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 197	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 197	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	15	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 869	\$ 0	\$ 7,947	\$ 80	\$ 0	\$ 1,559	\$ 0	\$ 158		\$ 10,613	0	2	0	0	0
Stalking																		
Terrorism																		
<b>Total</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>\$ 11,435</b>	<b>\$ 865</b>	<b>\$ 65,222</b>	<b>\$ 217,756</b>	<b>\$ 256,752</b>	<b>\$ 8,519</b>	<b>\$ 7,488</b>	<b>\$ 1,559</b>	<b>\$ 670</b>	<b>\$ 5,892</b>	<b>\$ 482</b>	<b>\$ 576,640</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>* Other expense explanations</b>																		
Assault	replaced lock																	

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PAYMENT STATISTICS BY CRIME TYPE Qtr-4

TYPES OF CRIME	EXPENSE TYPES PAID (in dollars)													TYPES OF VICTIMIZATIONS RELATED TO A CRIME TYPE				
	Total Number of Applications Paid During the Reporting Period	Crime Scene Clean Up	Dependent Care	Economic Support	Funeral Burial	Medical/Dental (except mental health)	Mental Health	Relocation	Replacement Services	Sexual Assault Forensic Exams	Travel	Other (please explain)	Total Paid for this Crime Type	Number of Applications Related to Bullying that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Domestic and Family Violence that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Elder Abuse/Neglect that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Hate Crimes that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Mass Violence that were Paid During the Reporting Period
Arson	2	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 435	\$ 870	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 119	\$ 0	\$ 1,424	0	0	0	0	0
Assault	87	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 43,183	\$ 0	\$ 51,010	\$ 10,447	\$ 12,054	\$ 0		\$ 5,204	\$ 0	\$ 121,898	0	29	0	0	0
Burglary	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 74	\$ 81	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 155	0	0	0	0	0
Child Physical Abuse/Neglect	5	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,374	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 379	\$ 0	\$ 1,753	0	0	0	0	0
Child Pornography																		
Child Sexual Abuse	24	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,465	\$ 0	\$ 5,981	\$ 3,057	\$ 652	\$ 0	\$ 2,647	\$ 0		\$ 13,803	0	0	0	0	0
DUI/DWI	15	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 3,441	\$ 20,630	\$ 14,669	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 38,739	0	0	0	0	0
Fraud/Financial Crimes																		
Homicide	29	\$ 0	\$ 865	\$ 43,293	\$ 92,095	\$ 3,878	\$ 600	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 2,978		\$ 143,709	0	1	0	0	0
Human Trafficking																		
Kidnapping																		
Other Vehicular Crimes	5	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 135,479	\$ 10,749	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 146,227	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	4	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 3,999	\$ 0	\$ 349	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 284	\$ 0	\$ 4,632	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	9	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 759	\$ 0	\$ 2,528	\$ 560	\$ 0	\$ 697	\$ 0	\$ 35		\$ 4,579	0	1	0	0	0
Stalking	2	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,196	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 183	\$ 0	\$ 1,379	0	0	0	0	0
Terrorism																		
<b>Total</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 865</b>	<b>\$ 231,618</b>	<b>\$ 123,474</b>	<b>\$ 78,923</b>	<b>\$ 18,185</b>	<b>\$ 12,706</b>	<b>\$ 697</b>	<b>\$ 2,647</b>	<b>\$ 9,181</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 478,297</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

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PAYMENT STATISTICS BY CRIME TYPE - Aggregated																		
TYPES OF CRIME	EXPENSE TYPES PAID (in dollars)												TYPES OF VICTIMIZATIONS RELATED TO A CRIME TYPE					
	Total Number of Applications Paid During the Reporting Period	Crime Scene Clean Up	Dependent Care	Economic Support	Funeral Burial	Medical/Dental (except mental health)	Mental Health	Relocation	Replacement Services	Sexual Assault Forensic Exams	Travel	Other (please explain)	Total Paid for this Crime Type	Number of Applications Related to Bullying that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Domestic and Family Violence that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Elder Abuse/Neglect that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Hate Crimes that were Paid During the Reporting Period	Number of Applications Related to Mass Violence that were Paid During the Reporting Period
Arson	2	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 435	\$ 870	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 119	\$ 0	\$ 1,424	0	0	0	0	0
Assault	275	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 183,236	\$ 0	\$ 261,733	\$ 18,037	\$ 28,659	\$ 0		\$ 10,261	\$ 482	\$ 502,407	0	60	0	2	0
Burglary	3	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 204	\$ 258	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 462	0	0	0	0	0
Child Physical Abuse/Neglect	29	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 8,255	\$ 1,000	\$ 7,622	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 2,106	\$ 0	\$ 18,984	0	2		0	0
Child Pornography	5	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,691	\$ 682	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 939	\$ 0	\$ 3,312	0	0		0	0
Child Sexual Abuse	74	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,465	\$ 2,400	\$ 13,397	\$ 11,301	\$ 7,412	\$ 0	\$ 3,318	\$ 1,175	\$ 0	\$ 40,468	0	2		0	0
DUI/DWI	37	\$ 11,435	\$ 0	\$ 95,357	\$ 20,630	\$ 47,166	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 653	\$ 6,999	\$ 182,239	0	0	0	0	0
Fraud/Financial Crimes																		
Homicide	109	\$ 0	\$ 1,730	\$ 77,085	\$ 417,386	\$ 15,611	\$ 1,515	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 3,978	\$ 0	\$ 517,306	0	9	0	0	0
Human Trafficking																		
Kidnapping																		
Other Vehicular Crimes	16	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 150,891	\$ 33,794	\$ 122,491	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 307,176	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	6	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 4,393	\$ 0	\$ 349	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 284	\$ 0	\$ 5,025	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	42	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 4,880	\$ 0	\$ 17,817	\$ 720	\$ 2,710	\$ 2,255	\$ 0	\$ 1,341	\$ 2,820	\$ 32,543	0	6	0	0	0
Stalking	2	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,196	\$ 0	\$ 0		\$ 183	\$ 0	\$ 1,379	0	0	0	0	0
Terrorism	1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 136		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 136	0	1	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>601</b>	<b>\$ 11,435</b>	<b>\$ 1,730</b>	<b>\$ 517,307</b>	<b>\$ 482,465</b>	<b>\$ 481,894</b>	<b>\$ 42,202</b>	<b>\$ 38,781</b>	<b>\$ 2,392</b>	<b>\$ 3,318</b>	<b>\$ 21,038</b>	<b>\$ 10,301</b>	<b>\$ 1,612,862</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>

## NARRATIVE QUESTIONS

1. **Please explain any significant change in the number of applications received during the reporting period.**  
Our numbers are increasing as we now have a full-time outreach coordinator on staff.
2. **The average length of time to process an application for claim eligibility for compensation**  
Count days from time of receipt of application to decision. 42  
  
Please explain your state's procedure for processing an application for claim eligibility, from time of receipt of application to decision. Explain the responsibilities of your office in processing a claim: We receive the application and handle it from application to disbursement of funds.. The CVCF engages in the following activities: processing applications, providing review, disbursing funds, providing on-going technical assistance. Once the Investigator has reviewed the police report/court documents/medical bill, etc, they recommend either a denial or award to the Commissioner along with an economic loss sheet showing exactly what we are recommending be paid. Once they agree or disagree, an Order is prepared by the Clerk. It is then mailed to the Claimant. We then send a copy of the Order and the Economic Loss sheet to the Fiscal Office, who enters the information into the state payment system. Then it goes to the WV State Auditor's Office for review and then finally to the WV Treasury for the disbursement of the check.
3. **Does your state have a victim satisfaction survey?**  
No
4. **Please describe any emerging/major issues or notable trends that were encountered in your state that had an impact on your program's ability to meet the needs of crime victims during the reporting period.**  
Law enforcement and courts are becoming less cooperative with sharing their documents, leading to applications sitting longer because the police will not turn over the police report. This issue is growing larger.
5. **Please describe in detail efforts taken to serve Victims of Federal Crime during the reporting period.**  
We work with the FBI and US District Court victim advocates when they have a victim in need of assistance, as well as sit on committees together.
6. **Please describe any notable activities during the reporting period that improved the process of victim compensation services.**  
Hiring a dedicated outreach coordinator is helping us reach isolated areas of the state where we typically don't receive claims from. This not only serves the purpose of increasing our applications, its further educating advocates in the state on how the Fund works to lessen confusion.
7. **Please describe in detail ways in which your state used VOCA Administrative funds and the impact of these funds on the state's ability to improve victim compensation services during the reporting period.**  
We do not use administrative funds, as the Legislature fully funds our positions. We use 100% of our funds to assist victims of crime.
8. **Were there any laws, initiatives, or policy changes in your state regarding victim compensation during the reporting period? If yes, please briefly describe them and their impact.**  
In 2022, the West Virginia Legislature amended the Crime Victims Compensation Fund statute to increase certain benefits payable to innocent victims of crime. Limits for relocation payments, travel to court proceedings and counseling for secondary victims were increased. The definition of work loss was amended to permit an award for work loss related to attendance at court proceedings conducted for the prosecution of the offender. Lastly, legislative changes also allowed for additional persons to file applications on behalf of minor children in the State s foster care system as well as allowing for the release of juvenile neglect and abuse records to the Fund as needed for claim reviews.
9. **Please describe system-coordination efforts with prosecutors, law enforcement, courts, U.S. attorneys' offices, tribal systems, State VOCA Victim Assistance Coordinator, or other key personnel within the criminal justice system in your state to reduce barriers to victims who may apply to receive victim compensation.**  
We work with the State Police to present at their academy, reaching all new law enforcement. We also work closely with victim advocates (federal/state/agencies) to provide training. We are also available by phone or email to answer any questions. We also sit on the Victim's Assistance Academy committee, where all new VOCA advocates are trained. We are working diligently to knock down misperceptions of the fund and train all criminal justice agencies what we are, what we do, and how we can help.
10. **Please explain any public outreach efforts to improve awareness of your program.**



We are doing public events to do outreach. We have also printed specific brochures to disseminate to funeral homes, domestic violence shelters, etc. that are specific to the kinds of crimes that they may see. We have plans to set up a booth at the WV State Fair next year, which sees upwards of 50,000 people in attendance over nine days.

11. **Please list any other outcome measure(s) that are reported to the governor, legislature, or other state entity that have not been reported in this submission. Provide the actual measure(s). The data may be reported separately in your progress report.**

Not applicable

12. **Please provide any additional comments that are helpful to improving the Victim Compensation state and/or federal program.**

The VOCA fix is helpful, but there is a lot of panic coming from advocates about the funding hits they are taking. This is leading to turnover and the loss of institutional knowledge. Advocates need to be reassured the funding is stable to continue in their job positions.